Nac Recommendations	Action Taken By The Government
Services (ICDS) Scheme would be universalized to provide a functional Anganwadi in every settlement and ensure full coverage for all children. The requisite proposals have been forwarded to the Government of India.	
7. *Board for Reconstruction of Public Sector Enterprises.* In order to devolve managerial and commercial autonomy to successful, profit making companies operating in a competitive environment, it has ben suggested that the proposed Board's Terms of Reference should be such as to enable it to look into ways and means for strengthening the Public Sector Enterprises and making them more autonomous and professional, in addition to restructuring/ advising on the closure or sale of Public Sector Enterprises.	A Board to address the issues pertaining to revival/restructuring of public sector undertakings has been set up.

Dissolution of KVIC

694. SHRI RAJ KUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have dissolved the Khadi and Village Industries Commission on 14th October, 2004 and made some stop gap arrangements before its restructuring;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons for acting in haste in this regard;

(c) whether it was not considered appropriate to work out to revamp the Commission to make it professionally competent rather than dissolving it; and

(d) if not, the benefit expected to be achieved for KVIC, promoted manufacturing units and for consumers by such a decision?

THE MINISTER OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) and (b) In the National Common Minimum Programme, the Government has declared to revamp the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC). This has been necessitated mainly because of the steep decline in employment in the Khadi sector and nearly stagnant sales of Khadi over the years, the need to take effective measures to introduce modern management practices in the KVIC and make the Khadi products competitive in the globalised economy and to enable the Government to generate more employment opportunities in the rural areas through the schemes, projects and other activities of the KVIC.

As one of the steps towards this objective, the Government has dissolved the Commission with effect from 14 October, 2004 in exercise of its powers under section 25(1) of the KVIC Act, 1956. Subsequent to the dissolution of the Commission, an authority called Commissioner for Khadi and Village Industries has been established as an interim measure, to carry on the functions of the KVIC. The Commissioner for Khadi and Village Industries has been authorized to exercise the powers of the Commission on the date of its dissolution, including execution of the programmes and policies being implemented by the dissolved Commission.

By an order dated 1 December, 2004, the Government has also set up a ten-Member Expert Committee with the terms of reference to, *inter alia*, review the existing structure, functioning and performance of the KVIC since its inception as well as the provisions of the Khadi and Village Industries Commission Act, 1956, Rules thereunder, etc., and recommend restructuring, along with modifications, if any, in these statutes.

The dissolution of the Commission is a well-considered decision of the Government and there is no question of acting in haste.

(c) The Expert Committee (EC) has been mandated to go into all aspects of the functioning and performance of the KVIC since its inception. Such a thorough review would not have been possible with the statutory nominated

body remaining in place.

(d) the terms of reference of EC, as detailed in the relevant extract of the Government order dated 01.12.2004 (copy enclosed as Statement) include the issues connected with the expected benefits to KVIC manufacturing units as well as consumers from the process of revamping of the KVIC.

Statement

Terms of Reference of the Committee

3. The Terms of Reference (ToR) of the Committee shall be as under:

(i) to review the existing structure, functioning and performance of the KVIC since its inception;

(ii) to review the Khadi and Village Industries Commission Act, 1956 (61 of 1956), KVIC Rules, 1957 and the Regulations made there-under and to recommend restructuring, alongwith modifications, if any, in these statutes, to achieve the objectives of (a) development of Khadi and Village Industries (KVI) and (b) making KVIC a more professional and effective body for implementation of the existing KVI programmes/schemes and/or launching new programmes/schemes with a view to enhancing employment and income generation in the rural areas and expanding the markets for (including export of) Khadi and Village Industry products; and

(iii) to recommend any other measure(s) considered necessary by the Committee to revamp the KVIC and to launch new, appropriate programmes/schemes.

Allocation of funds for PMRY

695. SHRI T.T.V. DHINAKARAN: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria followed for allocation of funds under the Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Yojana and the guidelines laid down for the use of these funds;

(b) the amount of financial assistance allocated and released under PMRY during the last three years, State-wise;